

## REMARKS

Claims 10 and 18-20 were cancelled previously. Claims 1, 16, and 17 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-9 and 11-17 are pending.

Claim 17 has been amended to recite a computer readable *storage* medium, which excludes a carrier wave and therefore is believed to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 101.

Claims 1-9 and 11-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Tajalli in view of Li. The rejection is respectfully traversed. With respect to claims 1, 16, and 17, each has been amended to recite that the “file” is “configured to store operational information comprising an identification of one or more resources accessed by a process during initialization of the process, which file an operating system with which the process is associated, or a component or module of the operating system, is configured to use in the event of a subsequent initialization of the process to prefetch at least one of said one or more resources prior to access to said at least one of said one or more resources being requested by the process.” The “behavior control description” described by Tajalli resides on a firewall and is not described by Tajalli as being used by an operating system to prefetch during a subsequent initialization of process resources accessed by the process during a prior initialization, as recited in claims 1, 16, and 17. Tajalli at [0045], [0052]. Likewise, the log files described by Li are generated by a “software probe” configured to generate the logs for security purposes, not for use by an operating system to prefetch during a subsequent initialization of process resources accessed by the process during a prior initialization, as recited in claims 1, 16, and 17. Li, col. 11, lines 16-20, 42-50, and 64-65. As such, claims 1, 16, and 17 are believed to be allowable.

Claims -9 and 11-15 depend from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

The foregoing amendments are not to be taken as an admission of unpatentability of any of the claims prior to the amendments.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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